

Thank you for coming on board as a member of the team who will lead this awesome new programme for girls at your church.

This new initiative is being powered because we didn't want girls to miss out on a girls version of BB ICONZ which has taken off big time in so many churches throughout New Zealand. IFG (iconz4qirlz) is the sister organisation of BB ICONZ and we will offer the girls new experiences and challenges on a weekly basis, while encouraging them to reach their full potential spiritually, physically, educationally and socially.

IFG is a branch of Girls' Brigade NZ, who has been providing weekly programmes for girls' in NZ for over 80 years.

The vision of IFG is "To provide a life development programme available to all New Zealand girls". There are four age groups for this programme, Explore 5-7 year olds, Adventure 8-10 year olds, Challenge 11-13 year olds and Ultimate 14 years and over.

I would like to acknowledge the generous support and encouragement of Boys' Brigade NZ. Churches in NZ have been asking for girls ICONZ and now here it is. We are proud to be associated with BB ICONZ in offering this programme to you.

I would also like to acknowledge the GBNZ National Executive and the members of the initial Steering Committee, who have embraced the opportunity to move our Organisation forward, by supporting this new programme.

While  $\mathit{IFG}$  is a ministry tool for your Church, it is designed to include girls who are outside the Church. In other words  $\mathit{IFG}$  programmes will train girls in life skills based on our Christian values in a way that will appeal not only to girls in your church, but also to girls currently outside your church community.

I am sure the commitment you give in your leadership role will bring you many blessings as you witness the positive influence you have on precious young lives.

God Bless you on this exciting journey,

Jennifer Box,

Convenor,

IFG Ministry Team